

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of

Burbank et al.

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR

SECURING MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS

TO DESIRED LOCATIONS IN A PATIENT'S BODY

Serial No.: 10/010,213

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

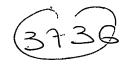
Please preliminarily amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 3, please replace the first paragraph with the following:

This application is a divisional of copending patent application Serial No. 09/146,185, filed September 1, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part of patent application Serial No. 09/057,303, filed April 13, 1998, which claims benefit to provisional patent application Serial No. 60/076,993, filed March 3, 1998, all of which applications are hereby incorporated herein by reference in their entirety and from which priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §§119(e) and 120.





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